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14TH ANNUAL EMERITI WEEK SET FEBRUARY 5-9

Celebration Begins with Luncheon February 6

The 14th annual Emeriti Week will be celebrated February 5-9, marking the 18th anniversary of the founding of the Emeriti Association on February 9, 1978. All faculty are invited to join the celebration beginning on Tuesday, February 6:

11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. No-host luncheon, Maryann C. Moore Private Dining Room, University Club.

1:30-3:15 p.m. Academic Senate, Lecture Hall 2, King Hall. The emeriti will be recognized and presented to the Senate.

3:15-5:00 p.m. Reception for all faculty, University Club. Dr. Lu Elrod has arranged for a string quartet to perform. This quartet is a group of students studying with the Anderson Quartet, Visiting Artists on CSLA's music faculty.

The Emeriti Association, one of the first in the CSU system, was founded through the efforts of Sidney Albert who, along with other founding members, spent several years contacting retired faculty to explain the need and purpose of such an organization.

Past presidents of the Emeriti Association are, in order of service: Keith Snyder (Music), Clifford Dobson (Industrial Studies), Robert Forbes (Secondary Education), Michael Grisafe (Accounting), Alice Thompson (Psychology), Donald Mortensen (Counselor Education), Sidney Albert (Philosophy), Gene Tipton (Economics and Statistics), Donald Moore (Economics and Statistics), Pauline Schatz (Home Economics), Laird Allison (Management), Mary Gormly (Library), Mildred Massey (Economics and Statistics), Carol Smallenburg (Secondary Education), and James Dunkelberg (Physical Education). The current president is Kenneth Phillips (Technology).

Three Emeriti Fellowships Presented at Fall Luncheon



(L. to r.): Ken Phillips, Emeriti Association president; fellowship recipients Sunhee Mans, Edmond Sarkissian, and Robin Langman; and Carol Smallenburg, Fellowship Fund chair.

Three CSLA graduate students were presented 1995 emeriti fellowships at the Fall Emeriti Luncheon on September 19: Robin Langman, Rehabilitation Counseling; Sunhee Mans, Finance and International Marketing; and Edmond Sarkissian, Biology. Following are excerpts from the winners' personal essays which are a part of the fellowship application. Portions of the letters of recommendation written by their professors will show the fine qualities of leadership and academic achievement they have demonstrated.

ROBIN LANGMAN

From her own statement:

"Who am I? There are so many facets to my life that it is difficult to know exactly where to begin.

"...For more than 15 years, I nurtured a career in financial advertising. This profession was enormously satisfying to me, for I was able to utilize my creativity and organizational skills to successfully accomplish a wide range of communication projects.

"I was diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa (RP) in 1987. It gradually became evident that my vision loss would continue, and would eventually disrupt my career. I would no longer have the ability to produce detailed graphic materials at the required pace even if accommodations were provided. I realized that to remain employed, I would need to acquire different skills, perhaps even change careers.

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Outstanding Professors Named at Fall Faculty Day

A highlight of September's Fall Faculty Day was the recognition of four Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professors and announcement of the CSU Outstanding Professor Award. The CSLA 1994-95 Outstanding Professor Awards were presented to Mohammad Ala (Management), Helen Boussalis (Electrical and Computer Engineering), Judith Hamera (Communication Studies), and Carole Srole (History).

Mohammad Ala, who joined the faculty in 1985, is director and founder of Cal State L.A.'s Productivity Center. He has also contributed significantly to the success of the Small Business Institute. Helen Boussalis, also a CSLA faculty member since 1985, recently was honored by NASA Director Daniel

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New Emeriti Faculty Named

The following recently retired faculty members have been awarded emeritus status.

HENDRIK KEYZER
(*Chemistry and Biochemistry*, 1967-1995)

DALE L. KNAPP
(*Education*, 1959-1995)

RUTH R. WU
(*Dean, Health and Human Services and Nursing*, 1971-1995)

We welcome them as fellow emeriti and encourage them to play an active role in the Emeriti Association.

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Campus News

Faculty Colloquia Series Set for Winter Quarter

The remaining faculty colloquia for the winter quarter are scheduled as follows:

February 13 Daniel Herwitz (Philosophy), "The Globalization of Modern Art of India and the West in its Light"

February 27 Mary Pat McEnrue (Management), "Cross-Cultural Service Delivery"

All programs will be held in the University Club from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

University Club Hosts Dialogue Series

The University Club will host its first event of the Dialogue Series on January 23 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. with Douglas Davis, the new University Librarian. Emeriti are invited and all questions are welcomed.

Kully Named Interim Executive Director of CSU-ERFA

Robert Kully, professor emeritus of speech communication, has been appointed interim executive director of the California State University Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association (CSU-ERFA), effective last October. Kully was instrumental in the development of the CSU-ERFA consulting program. He is working with others in CSU-ERFA's efforts to reverse the 1992 legislation that prevents professors retiring in that year from ever working in any fashion for the CSU.

Janet Fisher-Hoult Named Acting Associate Vice President

Janet C. Fisher-Hoult assumed the post of Acting Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs on September 1. Fisher-Hoult joined the Division of Educational Foundations faculty in 1986, and has served as Acting Assistant Vice President since January. Prior to that, she served as Director of the Center for Effective Teaching. As Acting Associate Vice President, she will have the responsibility for short- and long-range planning for Academic Affairs, faculty policy issues, liaison with the L.A. County High School for the Arts, Honors Convocation, and Commencement.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by KEN PHILLIPS



The emeriti fall luncheon meeting on Tuesday, September 19 featured Donald O. Dewey, Dean of the School of Natural and Social Sciences, as the speaker. Dean Dewey has served on the faculty and in administrative positions at Cal State L.A. for 33 years. He spoke of the changes on campus from the days of the Diablos to the Golden Eagles. His observations were both interesting and often very amusing. The luncheon was a huge success and many emeriti had a great time visiting with old friends.

All emeriti recently received a questionnaire about our World War II experiences. The response has been outstanding and some very thrilling stories will be featured in our *Emeritimes* from the materials submitted. As you all know, this is the 50th anniversary of the war's end and it seemed most appropriate to feature some of our members who served in the various war zones. It is anticipated that another questionnaire will be developed to gather information about professional activities of the emeriti.

The annual Emeriti Week no-host luncheon is scheduled for Tuesday, February 6 in the Maryann C. Moore private dining room of the University Club. After the luncheon, all emeriti will be honored at the Academic Senate meeting which begins at 1:30. Following the Senate meeting, a reception will be held in the University Club for faculty and emeriti. We hope you will attend the scheduled events.

At the May emeriti meeting the nominating committee will submit the nominations for Association officers for 1996-97. Nominations will be accepted from the floor and the election will follow. You should participate.

Be sure to read the article about the emeriti fellowships which were presented at the fall luncheon. Each of the recipients was an unusually well qualified graduate student. Because our members have continued to contribute to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund so unselfishly, we are able to award fellowships to these excellent students.

Very best wishes for the new year.

Kenneth Phillips
President, 1995-96

Professional and Personal

Helen Brockelhurst (Education) is still residing in London. In a September 8 letter to Lamar Mayer, she indicated that she was about to celebrate her 91st birthday "with family from California to help blow out the candles!"

Mary Gormly (Library) celebrated "National Women's Veterans Recognition Week" and Veterans Day by attending the following events, all of which emphasized the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II. She, as a former member of the U.S. Naval Reserve (WR), better known as the WAVES, spoke on her experiences at Arcadia's 50th Anniversary Veterans Day Party, "A Tribute to Veterans," on November 9. Then she spent November 9 and 10 at the Women's Veterans Conference, held at the Universal Sheraton and Universal Studios under the auspices of the California Department of Veterans Affairs. To complete the veterans celebration, she marched with her WAVES National Unit of Whittier as honored guests of the City of Commerce Veterans Day activities. All veterans received the city's "Certificate of Appreciation." As those at the Women's Veterans Conference said, "It's about time."

Robert O. Hahn (Education) had his article about substitute teachers, "Substitute Teachers are the Rodney Dangerfields of Education," published in *The Californian*, the Salinas daily newspaper, on August 26. He has been doing substitute work in schools and colleges of Santa Clara County since his retirement in 1980.

Vernon Leidig (Music) has been combining music publishing with lawn bowling. He is avidly recruiting bowlers for the South Pasadena Lawn Bowling Team.

Keith D. Snyder (Music) and his wife, Evelyn, are enjoying their lives in Davis. They travel, attend concerts and plays, visit art galleries, and work in their church. Snyder served as the first president of the Emeriti Association.

Robert Strassburg (Music) is living in Leisure World in Laguna Hills, still active as a composer and founding director of The Walt Whitman Circle at Leisure World, now entering its fifth season of activity. Last July, his "Unseen Buds," which celebrates Whitman's poem of the same name, premièred at the House of the Book at the Brandeis-Bardin Institute. Strassburg also publishes a quarterly newsletter for the Circle.

Marian Wagstaff (Education) was the honored guest and speaker at a reunion of faculty and students from Willowbrook Junior High School in Compton, where Marian had been principal. More than 400 people were gathered and, at her suggestion, formed a support group for the current students, faculty, and administration of the school. They plan another reunion in two years. Marian is enjoying a video tape of the occasion and also a gift of an IBM computer so they can keep in touch.

Your Chance to Go Down in History!

by Donald O. Dewey

I have been collecting funny or ironic anecdotes regarding my 33 years on this campus since my decision to retire. I am prepared for anything that might be said at a retirement party.

With the impending celebration of the University's 50th anniversary, I volunteered to prepare a journalistic, anecdotal and, hopefully, hilarious history of CSLA during the first year of my retirement. It already has a title: *That's a Good One! Cal State L.A. at Fifty*. That title must be inspired, because it came to me in the middle of the night, and that's as close to inspiration as I get.

Provost Margaret Hartman has endorsed this project, so now I need your help. The problem is that I am the hero, or at least central, to so many of my best stories.

Thus I urgently implore that you send me some of your favorite memories of Cal State L.A., especially those that are funny, poignant, or ironic. What was your first acquaintance with the campus? What have you done, or not done, that would be a surprise to your colleagues?

Please send your offerings to me at the School of Natural and Social Sciences. I'll accept anonymous stories only if they are too good to resist!

IN SYMPATHY

The Emeriti Association extends its sincere sympathy to Mildred Massey, whose husband, Frank, died suddenly on November 18 at the age of 75. Frank was an expert and educator in biostatistics as applied to public health. He taught at universities in Maryland and Oregon before moving to UCLA in 1955, where he helped build the Department of Biostatistics within the School of Public Health and the Department of Biomathematics in the School of Medicine. He served as associate dean of the School of Public Health and chair of his department, retiring in 1990.

The Executive Committee has made a contribution to the Emeriti Fellowship Fund in memory of Frank.

Campus News

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Timothy Downs Appointed Acting Assistant Vice President

Timothy M. Downs, a member of the Department of Communication Studies faculty since 1988, has been appointed Acting Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, reporting to the Acting Associate Vice President. In this new part-time position, he has the responsibility for program review, accreditation, and assessment while continuing part-time teaching responsibilities in his department.

Ethan Lipton Named Associate Dean, Engineering and Technology

Ethan Lipton was appointed Associate Dean of the School of Engineering and Technology, effective September 1. Lipton, a Cal State L.A. alumnus, replaces Don Maurizio, who is returning to the Department of Technology as chair. Lipton has been with the Department of Technology in a tenure-track position since 1984, and has served as Associate Chair and Director of the Center for Technology Education. For the past four years he has been Chair of the Department of Technology.

Onak Named 1995 California Professor of the Year

Last October, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching announced the selection of Thomas P. Onak (Chemistry and Biochemistry) as the 1995 California Professor of the Year. Onak was selected from among 36 university and college nominees in California by panels of judges from the Carnegie Foundation and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). The Carnegie-CASE panel wrote: "Focusing his personal research on carborane chemistry and the study of the element boron, Thomas Onak encourages his students to delve into areas where little previous research exists and to treat learning chemistry like learning a language. Students view Onak as a mentor and role model."

Fellowships

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"I learned I was legally blind in October, 1993, and began to systematically evaluate my strengths and weaknesses, talents and transferable skills, goals and desires. I learned that Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling could provide an avenue through which I could apply my years of business experience, my talent for communication and redirect the empathy derived from coping with a major sensory loss.

"...I have also found that my resourcefulness has uncovered many support services for the blind and visually impaired of which I had previously been unaware. I am currently assisting with the planning and implementation of the "CAPS" (Career Access for the Partially Sighted) program through the Center for the Partially Sighted. This program will provide myself and others more access to services, support and employment. I am also co-facilitating a support group for the visually impaired.

"...So, who am I really? I am a strong, competent, caring person who happens to have a disability. I know of life's joys and sorrows, thus I am able to draw from a wealth of experience in order to accomplish my goals."

From those who recommended her:

"I am pleased to recommend this exceptional student. Her academic record is perfect in that she is earning a 4.0 grade point average, with 'A' grades in all courses thus far. It is my belief that she pursues academic excellence in all she undertakes. She has performed in an excellent way on written examinations, term papers, oral presentations, and classroom interaction.

"Ms. Langman is visually impaired. She has been doing volunteer work at the Center for the Partially Sighted, located in Santa Monica, California. I have heard from supervisors at the Center that she has been extremely helpful in assisting troubled clients to resolve their problems and concerns. Robin is also an asset in case management activities, such as helping clients with community resources, career planning, and job re-entry. She is currently working on a project involving community access for people with visual impairment."

"Robin has developed a data base of resources for the working-adult program at the Center, to access technology and community and social services. This program was started to service clients from the California Department of Rehabilitation, and she funnels data to us to help in developing the program. She is highly-organized and computer-literate and has a deep understanding of the various avenues of assistance that are available to those in the visually-impaired community.

SUNHEE MANS

From her own statement:

"Very few students in Korea work while going to school, but I wanted to combine my formal education with real world practical experience. I gained even more experience after college by working for several multinational companies and other cross-cultural organizations in Seoul, Korea. Within this context, I have also developed a strong skill in foreign languages. Besides English and my native Korean, I also speak and read Japanese and Mandarin Chinese. Obviously, this is an important asset in communication, but just as important, being multilingual gives me a unique ability to successfully encounter various types of people and businesses from differing cultural and ethnic backgrounds.

"...Specifically, I hope to become an executive with a multinational corporation. This, when combined with my strong leadership and interpersonal skills, will allow me to continue to be a bridge between people from different cultures. My current area of interest tends towards international marketing."

From those who recommended her:

"I have known Sunhee Mans for over two years. She was a student in my Business Finance (FIN 303) course, which was conducted as a 'mega section,' it was a class of 185 students. Sunhee clearly distinguished herself in two ways. First, her intellectual ambitiousness. While most students in such a large classroom setting merely copy notes from my lectures, Sunhee consistently raised probing questions that compelled deeper discussions on the topics being presented, which was of great benefit to the entire class. She had a great desire to learn new material, and was very determined to thoroughly understand the 'real world' implications of the concepts presented. Second, her conscientiousness. Sunhee always put a great amount of care into her work...

"In late fall, 1993, I approached Sunhee about working for me and Dr. Tom Larson on a project to study the rehabilitation pace of areas damaged in the 1992 riots. She as well as a number of other students were charged with eliciting and compiling data through a survey of property owners directly affected by the civil unrest. Of the students we employed, Sunhee was the most consistently productive in gathering information on the research subject. A healthy portion of the written analysis on post-disturbance business rebuilding was based on primary data generated by Sunhee. Sunhee was a methodical, intelligent, reliable assistant."

EDMOND SARKISSIAN

From his own statement:

"In the spring of 1994, I received my B.S. degree in biology with honors from California State University, Los Angeles. To me this was a great accomplishment, especially as I look back and realize that it was only seven years ago when I immigrated to the United States of America. Back then I promised myself that I would take advantage of the educational opportunities which this country had to offer...

"Currently, under the supervision of Dr. Roger Bowers, I am working on my thesis project for my master's degree in biology. The research involves studying pigmentation in fowls. We are developing an animal model which may help to explain the human skin disease, vitiligo. It is my goal to become a physician and a clinical researcher. Also, I intend to educate people about their health and the ways they can improve it."

From those who recommended him:

"I first met Edmond during the spring quarter, 1994, when he was a student in my 'Molecular Genetics' course...

"Edmond is a superior student. He graduated with a GPA of 3.9 and has a 4.0 GPA in our graduate program. He received an A grade in the 'Molecular Genetics' course, a difficult course taken by only our best students, as it stresses data analysis and problem solving and is taught from journal articles rather than from a text. While I was very impressed by his performance on examinations (he had the fourth highest grade among thirty-five students on the final examination), I was most impressed by his participation during classroom discussions where he demonstrated the ability to quickly grasp and utilize difficult material and an excellent background in the sciences. It was clear that Edmond really enjoyed learning and was excited about the concepts presented. We rarely get a student like Edmond who is as interested and excited as we are about the material we present in the classroom. Based on his performance in this difficult course, I would rank Edmond among the top five percent of our students.

"I am also impressed by Edmond's potential as a researcher. He has a thorough understanding of his research project and, I have been told by his research director, excellent technical skills. He approaches his research with the same enthusiasm as he approaches his academic work."

"Personally, Edmond is a person of integrity, highly principled, and honest. He works well with others in a leadership role, and is adaptable to all sorts of people. He is very motivated and focused on his career goals. He also has a warm, outgoing, friendly personality. In closing, I am confident that if given the opportunity, Edmond would take advantage of the opportunities offered through this scholarship program."

SPECIAL SECTION:

EMERITI IN WORLD WAR II

Recent Query about World War II Deeds Brings Copious and Fascinating Reports

by Carol Smallenburg, Mildred Massey and William Lloyd

During the past year, the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II has been marked by numerous ceremonies in honor of those who served.

Because many emeriti served in all branches of the military, the Emeriti Association believed that the recollections of its members would be of interest to *Emeritimes* readers. It was in this vein that a questionnaire was distributed to emeriti.

The response was overwhelming—nearly 70 emeriti responded about their World War II experiences—and the accounts, fascinating. Reports were almost evenly divided between Army and Navy veterans. One-fifth of those replying were women, and one-eighth were civilians attached to the military. European and Asian theaters were equally named, with one describing having served in the Washington D.C. Theater. More than one person explained that, although they remained civilians, their duties were classified and they weren't allowed to enlist.

At least one-third of the emeriti had special events to describe, a number finding themselves in seemingly impossible situations, yet surviving. One told about parachuting moments before his plane crashed. In another narrative, a Navy career man swam violently toward awaiting rescue to escape the surge of water around his sinking ship.

One answered the question about a greatest experience: "Being sent home in one piece." As the tides of battled moved, another person was rescued twice from the same stalag before he was really freed. A book accounting for the life of a person in counterintelligence was also published.

Admittedly surprised, elated, and grateful for the excellent response from members about their World War II activities, the *Emeritimes* Editorial Committee is featuring the stories in a special centerfold section of the regular newsletter. In order to print as many of the personal anecdotes verbatim, this feature will be continued in the spring issue.

KENNETH PHILLIPS

Army Air Corps, Captain

Served in the Air Corps 3 years, 2 in European Theater. With AACS, was flown into advance air strips after they were captured or established to set up communications for the air field and base, including a radio station and encoding equipment for sending messages throughout the theater of operations, control tower, direction finding equipment, and other communications services.

For all of this hazardous duty, Ken was awarded 4 service ribbons and 3 battle stars. Following are several of Ken's experiences as he relates them:

"While crossing the Atlantic, unescorted, our English ship, the *Mauritania*, started to vibrate violently as it moved to emergency speed. Awakened in the middle of the night, under blackout conditions, on a zig-zag course to evade submarine attack, we heeled and rolled from side to side. To this landlubber, ships were not meant to be sideways roller coasters, a sensation still felt in memory.

"Later, sent to England for special orientation on new radar equipment, our group was billeted in an undamaged hotel in London. My room, with the bed on the inside wall, was on the fifth floor. One night about midnight a V-2 rocket exploded in the street, shearing off the front of the hotel. When it collapsed, I was looking over the foot-end of my bed about three feet from empty space. Our group met in the hall, (our English host very calmly assigning us rooms at the rear of the hotel); however, we definitely did not sleep that night.

"Buzz bombing of the Liege Air Field was another source of excitement. Billeted in tents, we were blown out of our beds about twice a week. Somehow, lack of sleep was just another part of the war.

"Being young, confident and optimistic, we believed and knew we would survive, no matter what!"

ROBERT BENOIT

Army Air Corps, Sergeant

Served with 19th Troop Carrier Squadron for 3 years in South Pacific. Actively engaged ("lots of flying") in retaking the Marshall and Marianna Islands.

Decorations: Two Battle Stars

LOUIS A. HANSEN

Army, 2nd Lieutenant

Served total of 3 1/2 years, first with 704th Airborne Battery in the China-Burma-India Theater, then with 194th Glider Infantry (17th Airborne Division) in Europe, ending up in Germany.

One of his memorable experiences was the luxurious troop transports on which he traveled. He sailed to China on the *Ile de France*, manned by English officers and a crew of Hindus wearing native attire. Going to Europe, it was the *Queen Mary*.

Decorations: EMME with 1 Battle Star and APT with 2 Battle Stars

DONALD BURRILL

Navy, Seaman 1st Cl (Active), Ensign (Res.)

Enlisted in the Navy out of high school. Don spent a few months near the end of the war in the Pacific on the destroyer *Lowry* attached to a carrier squadron. One of his unusual assignments was diving into the ocean to rescue pilots who had gone in the water during practice landings on a carrier. Time after VJ Day was spent on a navy transport returning GIs home from the Philippines. Don became a commissioned officer after the war and served in the Naval Reserve for 10 years.

C. MAURINE TIMMERMAN

USNR (WAVES), Lieutenant

Stationed in Washington, D.C. for 3 years (1943-46), served as security officer and in charge of maintenance for WAVE quarters. Beyond regular duties, she directed a choir for station services and a WAVE chorus that produced a musical comedy, and joined the men's chorus of the Navy School of Music to sing at the White House during the Christmas holidays.

JOHN M. LEIMAN

Army, Captain

Served 54 months in South Pacific with 88th Division, 285th and 289th Field Artillery Observation Battalions. Participated in Luzon Campaign with 289th Batallion.



SIGMUND JAFFE

Navy, Chief Motor Machinist Mate

Served 3 years, 7 months (July 1942 to January 1946) in the European Theater aboard LST 376 (landing ship—tanker) and in the Pacific on LST 958.

Sig was involved in his first military action in North Africa, when the LST 376 carried troops and equipment for that campaign. Then came the invasion of Sicily, followed by Italy. Sig tells the story:

"In the summer of 1943 we invaded Sicily landing the 3rd army at Lecato. We then worked our way around to the north of Sicily landing troops and supplies behind the German lines until the Germans retreated to Italy. In September 1943, we landed at Salerno, Italy. This was the most frightening operation since we were repulsed three times before landing our British Eighth Army troops. After some months of resupplying the Italian campaign, we sailed to England.

"Following practice landings for a few months, we took part in the Normandy invasion on June 5, 1944. We discharged our troops on D-Day and went back to England to reload. On the way back to France, a German E boat torpedoed us on June 9. Only about 30-40 survived out of a crew of 150. All the soldiers were lost. We were picked up by a British base where we were incorporated into the British Navy until we could be returned to our own forces.

"After a few weeks in a rest camp in Scotland, we sailed back to Boston on the *USS United States* during which I met Elaine (later to be my wife). After a short training period I was assigned to the LST 959. We sailed through the Panama Canal and out to the Pacific. We took part in the Iwo Jima campaign and later, the Okinawa landings.

"We were loaded with Marines and set sail to invade Japan when, luckily, the war ended and we were sent to China. In about six months, we ferried Japanese prisoners from Tientsin, China to Sesabu, Japan to get them out of the way of the developing Chinese civil war.

"Finally, in January, 1946, I was sent home and discharged all in one piece."

BURTON M. SEIDLER

Army, Tec Sergeant

Served 3 years, 1 month with 66th Infantry Division in European Theater (northern France, Germany). Received Combat Infantry Badge.

Burt describes a postwar experience related to his wartime experiences:

"In October 1993, my wife and I went to Normandy and Brittany where I had spent two months in January and February of 1945. There I had an anti-tank gun squad staying on a farm near Faye-de-Bretagne, Brittany. We were able to sleep in the stone barn, as it was very cold at that time. I became friendly with the farmer who was three years older than I.

"On our 1993 visit almost 50 years later, we found the farm and Mr. Boujou outside. I went up to him and put out my hand, saying 'Monsieur Boujou—Sgt. Seidler.' He looked at me for awhile and said, 'Burt!' My wife and I could not believe that he had remembered my name after 49 years."

JANE MATSON

Navy, Lieutenant Commander

Entered service in January 1943, received training and was commissioned an ensign, followed by training as an educational service officer in naval hospitals.

A SURPRISE REVISIT TO

On a mid-September day in 1944, T/Sgt. John L. Houk (now professor emeritus of political science) and the rest of the flight crew under the command of pilot H. L. Spencer took off in their B-17 bomber, "The Homesick Angel," from the 92nd Bomb Group AF Base at Podington, England. Their mission was to bomb an auto works plant in Germany.

On the bomb run, the plane was badly damaged by flak with two of four engines out and the third alternately running and on fire. Technically, the B-17 Flying Fortress couldn't fly, but pilot and crew were determined to limp along in a stalling position to either cross the fluid American lines or to get as near as possible before bailing out.

Finally, waiting was no longer possible and the crew of nine jumped from the falling airplane from an altitude that seemed to make survival impossible. The first man jumped at about 800 feet elevation and the last (the pilot) at barely 200 feet. There was hardly a football field of distance between where the first and the last man landed.

This miraculous survival took place in a forward salient of "No Man's Land" with German SS troops on three sides and American General George S. Patton, Jr.'s Third Army not yet in occupation.

With full faith that the Third Army would rescue them, the crew accepted the hospitality of a French farm family on the edge of the village of Grimacourt near Commercy. There they were indeed picked up by an American vehicle and taken back to Third Army Headquarters at Chalon-sur-Marne. General Patton gathered the group together and field decorated each with the Bronze Star medal. He then sent the crew back to their base on his personal plane with a case of champagne and a case of brandy for each.

For his personal part in the drama of "The Homesick Angel," Houk was awarded an additional medal, the citation for which reads in part: "[With electrical and interphone systems out,] Sergeant Houk competently directed the crew in jettisoning of equipment demonstrating outstanding ingenuity... He remained with the aircraft until all enlisted men had abandoned the airplane... [His] courage, coolness, and skill...reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces..."

But all that was 50 years ago.

FIFTY YEARS LATER: A SURPRISE

This summer, Houk and his wife, Martha, traveled to England for the last scheduled reunion of the 92nd Bomb Group. The major intent of the trip was to see the other two members of the crew who had survived the peace, L. G. Spillman and Jack Spratt. At a lawn party for the whole group, these three survivors and their wives were especially honored and given a surprise trip to northeastern France to stay with the French family who had befriended them at the time of their bailout, and to view the crash site.

All stayed with the family Drouin at the eldest daughter Raimonde's lovely country house. From there they were taken to the crash site by military vehicles. The Mayor of Grimacourt

A WARTIME MIRACLE



T/Sgt. John L. Houk (4th from right) with his flight crew and General George S. Patton, Jr. (center).

addressed assembled villagers and the crew. All then retired to the village "city hall" for a champagne reception, but not before the crew was able to claim a few fragments of the 51-year-old crashed plane (including a scrap of Houk's radio). A special memento for each was a small sculpture made by a villager from aluminum salvaged from the crashed aircraft and filled with French soil from the site.

A couple of days later the mayor of larger Commercy also provided a champagne reception at the hotel d'ville (city hall).

"Such lionization," Houk said, "represents our symbolism of Liberation and our French Alliance, and not our individual heroism. We did little but successfully save ourselves and our comrades. We are only grateful to have the opportunity to revisit the place where that survival took place and to make such symbolic representation some 50 years later."

"My first duty assignment was at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego where my duties included working with patients who were not likely to return to duty because of injury or physical limitations. My job was to help them prepare for civilian life and to assist them in making plans for employment or continuing their education.

"After two years I was transferred to the Distribution Center located about 40 miles east of San Francisco. The hospital where I was assigned had about 3,500 beds. My principal duty was as an educational services officer. In addition I was assigned collateral duty with responsibility for about 300 enlisted WAVES on duty at the hospital. I remained there until the hospital was decommissioned, and I was released to inactive duty in the fall of 1945.

"I returned to the Los Angeles area. I joined a Navy Reserve unit and remained with them until I completed my 20 years of service and retired as a Lieutenant Commander."

J.M. "JAY" METCALF

Army Medical Corps; Tec Sergeant, Actg. 1st Sergeant, and Captain

Served 4 years, 10 months during WWII and was called back for a year and 4 months for duty in Korea.

Decorations: WWII Victory Medal and Korean Army of Occupation

EARL PHILLIPS

British Army Air Corps, Sgt./Pilot

Served 3 1/2 years (1944-48) in Europe only, in the glider pilot regiment.

Received British General Service Medal (issued to everyone who served at least 6 months during wartime).

JOHN W. RATHBUN

Army, Private 1st Class

Served 3 years with 32nd Division in Pacific Theater.

JACK C. HEPPE

Army Air Corps/Ferrying Command, B-24 pilot

Served for 3 years in the European Theater in what he described as a noncombat job of delivering new B-24s to Europe via Labrador, Greenland, and Iceland.

RALPH THOMLINSON

Army, Tec 5

Served 2 1/2 years in Europe with 94th Signal, 18th Cavalry. Participated in action in Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe.

ROBERT H. EWALD

USNR, Quartermaster 2nd Class

Served on two destroyers, the *USS Palmer* in the Atlantic and Caribbean and the *Melvin* in the Pacific between August 1942 and October 1945.

"The *Palmer* was a WW I destroyer—a so-called 'four stacker' which had been converted for mine-sweeping duties, which it then never performed, and served only on convoy escort duties. I joined the *Melvin* (DD680) at its commissioning in Brooklyn Navy Yard early in 1943, on which I served exclusively in the Pacific.

"During all our time on the *Melvin* in the Pacific (about March 1943 to the end of the war) we were attached to the giant battle fleet headed alternately by admirals Halsey and Spruance. We were the advanced strike force for all of the major invasions toward the end of the war—Iwo Jima, Saipan, Tinian and Guam, and others. We shelled the Japanese homeland on one occasion.

"In late summer of 1945 we were the battle fleet that met the entire Japanese fleet, or its remnants, in what came to be known as the Battle of Surigao Straits in the Philippines. This and the somewhat later Battle of Leyte Gulf may well have been the last great naval battles in history. In Surigao Straits we performed the classical 'crossing of the T' maneuver. My own destroyer squadron initiated the action with a torpedo run on the Japanese battle ships sailing single file up the straits."

LOUIS W. EGGERS, JR.

Army; Infantry, Private 1st Class

Served for 2 years, 8 months in American, European theaters with 272nd and 330th Infantry in Normandy, Northern France (1 day), Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central (all with E Company, 330th Infantry).

Decorations: Combat Infantry Badge, Purple Heart, and Good Conduct Medals

"I was demobilized two and a half months before I was 21. This seemed very

commonplace at the time since there were so many of us but leaves me amazed in retrospect. Our 250-man rifle company had 1,000 wounded and 100 killed in the 10 months it was committed (at least one person holding each position was hit, except for the two runners back at Battalion Headquarters) and when we were relieved from the Ardennes we numbered less than 50. This taught much about people under great stress and, since the usual practice was let a unit continue struggling until it took its objective, we found it best to succeed the first time."

MARY HUBER

Civilian service assignment with Army

Served as a speech pathologist at the U.S. Army Hospital on Staten Island, where she worked with brain-injured servicemen for the 3 months prior to the war's end.



REED E. NILSEN

Navy, Lieutenant, (jg)

Served 3 years in the European Theater as skipper of an LCT (landing craft—tank). His first action came with D-Day on Omaha Beach, when he rammed his LCT onto the beach, under fire, and unloaded his cargo of a truckload of ammunition, 36 men from Patton's Third Army, and sections of a Bailey Bridge they would float across the Rhine to get them into Germany. He continued in the landing operations for weeks, ferrying men, equipment, and supplies to the beach from transports standing off shore "until our armies reached Paris." Upon completion of his European tour, Reed returned to the U.S. to provide transport for the crews of underwater operators who engaged in clearing harbors along the Atlantic coast of cables and other devices planted by the Germans in their unsuccessful attempt to impede movement of American ships entering and leaving ports.

LEON SCHWARTZ

Army Air Force, 2nd Lieutenant

Served with 8th Air Force (3rd Division, 100th Bombardment Group, 351st Squadron) in the European Theater, and with Air Transport Command in the American Theater. Had 3 years on active duty (September 1942 to October 1945).

Decorations: Air Medal with 5 Oak Leaf (1 Silver) Clusters, WWII Victory Medal, Presidential Squadron Citation, and Unit Croix de Guerre

"I was the navigator of the Flying Fortress 'Fever Beaver,' which flew out of Thorpe Abbotts, England (100th B.G.). I flew 35 heavy bombardment missions to targets over Germany from September 25, 1944 to February 19, 1945. These last missions were to targets in and around Berlin in support of the Russian advance towards Berlin. When I think of engagements, I think of specific missions when, besides the flak that came up from the German anti-aircraft batteries, we were attacked by German fighter planes. The worst of these was over Hamburg on December 31, 1944, when my group lost 12 of its 36 Fortresses and shot down 23 enemy fighter planes (most of our losses were to flak). My crew claimed 5 of the 23 and were officially credited with 2 1/2 (a half was credited when two crews claimed the same shoot-down).

"My most terrifying experience was flying into what appeared to be a solid mass of flak over Merseberg, a heavily protected oil refinery target, on November 30, 1944. My

DONALD A. MOORE

Army, 1st Lieutenant in WWII, Major in Reserves

Served 4 years in the Pacific with 40th Infantry Division and 22 years as a Reserve with the 63rd Infantry Division, for total of 26 years.

In the Pacific during WWII, he flew Piper Cub observation planes in Luzon, central Philippines, and New Guinea.

Decorations: Air Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters

"With the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the end of WWII, I am asking: for me, did it end with a bang or a whimper? I flew, but not in the old Army Air Corps, but as an Artillery officer flying the Piper Cub (Army L-4). It had fabric cover, 65 horsepower. You started it by spinning the prop.

"We had taken Clark Field on Luzon, then the islands of Panay and then Negros in the central Philippines. We went back to Panay to train for the invasion of Japan. A diversion from that training was necessary, for the Japanese troops had fled to the mountains and would not surrender. We sent our Infantry troops out after them, but it was hard; they resisted violently.

"I was asked to fly Infantry officers over the area. We would drop messages in English and Japanese pointing out the futility of further resistance. At the same time the officers would assess the locations of their own troops, so as to be able to improve on their tactics. The enemy would be so inconsiderate as to fire on us. At first, we could hear the discharges of the rifles only; then, as they improved their aims, we could hear the zing of the bullets passing. As their aims improved, the zings would change to zaps. About that time, each of my passengers, either a major or a lieutenant colonel (a "field grade" officer), would say, 'Lieutenant, I think I have seen enough,' and we would go back to the airstrip. I flew four of them one day, with the same experience each time.

"Let me divert to tell the story about the value of medals. We were overseas for a long time, some of these men for 40 months. Each month was worth one point toward a priority for rotation to the U.S. Each campaign earned us five points. Also, each medal earned us five points.

"One day, on examining my personnel file, I found an entry for a Bronze Star. I had not been awarded a Bronze Star. I looked up the personnel order cited, and this is what I found. Each of these officers had been awarded a Bronze Star for a citation something like the following: 'With disregard for his own safety, and in the interest of the safety of his troops, this officer flew over hostile territory, receiving enemy fire.' In the heading, it said that a copy of this order should go to my file. Thus a personnel clerk had posted a Bronze Star to my record. I looked at the order, and in the last paragraph, I was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to my Air Medal, for 'completing 25 missions under combat conditions.' I thought that the 25 to 1 ratio for earning rotation points was a little hard on a lieutenant, compared to a field grade officer. It made no difference in the end; we were all sent home at once, four months after the end of the war.

"There is a sequel. A few days later, as I was flying alone over enemy territory, the message came over my radio that the war was over. I could see our troops on the beach, practicing assault landings. To my surprise, they did not stop. We had a new commanding officer, a brigadier general, with only one star. He was eager to earn his second star and be a major general. He ordered the men to continue with landing practice. He then stood there and cried. Some thought for joy, but those near him saw that it was frustration; there went his chance to earn the other star. (He actually said that, according to my witness.) This was the whimper.

"Sequel no. 2: We were to be an advance party, capturing an island in Tokyo Bay, with predicted casualties of 50 percent. I was glad that Harry Truman had made the decision to drop the bombs. The long-run consequences may not be good, but in the short run, I saw lots of advantages for me. There were two bangs. I cried for joy."

group was lucky to lose only one plane that day! (The 8th Air Force lost 56 bombers and 23 fighters.)

"My most effective mission was the last of three raids on Berlin, on February 3, 1945. The purpose was to wreck the communications capacity of the German High Command as the Russians approached the German capital. According to the U.S. Army paper *Stars and Stripes*, 'The [Nazi] Air Ministry received eight direct hits and other government buildings surrounding the Ministry, including the Reich Chancellery, Ministry of Propaganda and Gestapo Headquarters were smothered under 18 concentrations of high explosives. Five railroad stations were hit and the Tempelhof marshalling yards and nearby Tempelhof airdrome suffered some damage. The Deutsche Gas Works got a terrific blow.' This was my crew's 30th and our plane's 100th mission, the first 100th B.G. Fortress to successfully reach that exalted number, a fact duly reported in *Stars and Stripes*. My name, and those of the rest of the crew, was thereafter inscribed on the fuselage of 'Fever Beaver'.

"After completing my European tour of duty, I was reassigned to ferrying returning China-Burma-India veterans, after V-J Day, from British Guiana to Puerto Rico to Miami. Here the only real danger was that it was the height of the hurricane season."

SIDNEY P. ALBERT

Army, Warrant Officer, Junior Grade

Sidney began his military service under Selective Service, prior to Pearl Harbor and U.S. entry into the war. He served 5 years, all at Camp Wheeler in Georgia, in its Headquarters Classification Office. He eventually advanced to supervision of the office, which was responsible for personnel processing that included conducting interviews, assigning individuals to specialties, and filling personnel orders.

"None of it," Sid said, "was hazardous, except culturally."

ROBERT E. BLACKMON

Army, Sergeant

Served with C. C. 505th Parachute Regiment, 82nd Airborne Division, June 1942 to November 1945 in European Theater, in Sicily, Italy, Holland, Battle of the Bulge. Made 16 parachute jumps (3 combat) in service. Made 17th jump on June 6, 1994 in Toledo, Washington. "Quite an experience."

Decorations: None for individual heroism; ETO Ribbon with 6 stars, Presidential Unit Citation, Combat Infantryman's Badge

ALLISON RECALLS WORLD WAR II SERVICE ON USS ASTORIA

by Laird Allison

My participation in World War II naval battles was performed while serving on the heavy cruiser *USS Astoria* (CA-34), named in honor of Astoria, Oregon.

I joined the Navy in September 1936. After receiving basic training and electrical schooling, I was assigned to the *Astoria* in June 1937.

In February 1939, Hiroshi Saito, then Japanese ambassador at Washington, died, and as a goodwill gesture, the bright idea was conceived of sending Saito's ashes home on a warship. Ironically enough, the ship chosen for this mission was the *Astoria*, which the Japanese subsequently sank in the Battle of Savo Island.

On that day of infamy, 7 December 1941, the *Astoria* was at sea 700 miles west of Pearl Harbor with a carrier task force en route to delivering Marine planes to Midway. This mission was cancelled and the task force fruitlessly searched for the Pearl Harbor attackers. From February to June 1942 the *Astoria* operated with the *USS Yorktown* (CV-5) carrier task group and participated in the Battle of Coral Sea (7-8 May 1942) and Battle of Midway (3-6 June 1942).

On 7 August 1942 the *Astoria* participated in the bombardment of Guadalcanal in support of the initial invasion by the U.S. First Marine Division. During 7-8 August we were at battle stations 48 hours during which time it was reported that our group downed 28 Japanese bombers. The Japanese bombers succeeded in making a bomb hit on one of our transport ships.

During the night of 8-9 August 1942, from 0155 to 0215, the *Astoria* participated in the Battle of Savo Island. She was the first American cruiser to open fire and scored two hits on the Japanese flagship *Chokai*, but was put out of action shortly thereafter by 65 known hits. At 1215 9 August 1942, the *Astoria* sank as a result of battle damage. She suffered 238 killed or missing and 142 wounded.

During the battle, several enemy shells hits the *Astoria* near my battle station. Fortunately, I was not injured. After the *Astoria* lost power (was dead in the water) and the enemy withdrew, all personnel assembled on the forecastle (forward) and main deck aft commenced fighting fires by bucket brigade, and tended the wounded. Fierce fires raged amidships. Uncertainty as to whether the forward five-inch magazine group had been flooded made it advisable for the forecastle group to leave the ship. The destroyer *USS Bagley* (DD-386) placed her bow to the *Astoria's* bow at about 0445. I stepped over to the *Bagley*. We were served a good breakfast.

At daybreak our commanding officer assembled the *Astoria* survivors on the *Bagley* and called for volunteers to return to the ship to attempt to get her to the beach so that she might be salvaged. I was one of about 325 volunteers.

All efforts to get the ship under way failed. The forward five-inch magazine exploded, blowing a hole in the port side of the ship below the water line. Many shell hits on the port side had also created holes. As the ship's list to port increased more holes reached the water line, thereby increasing the rapidity of increase in list.

At a few minutes after noon, the port side of the main deck aft (where I was then located) began dipping into the sea. Deciding that it was time to abandon ship, I slid down a line on the starboard side and swam approximately 100 yards to the destroyer *USS Buchanan* (DD-484).

The *Astoria* soon rolled over with bottom up. She was sinking rapidly. The sea water was swirling toward the sinking ship. Becoming apprehensive upon realizing that I was making no headway, I exerted an all-out effort to swim away. Eventually, I reached the bow of the *Buchanan*. I clutched a line and was hoisted up to the overhanging main deck. While the crew was discussing how to get me on board, I dropped back into the water and swam about 150 feet to a rope ladder amidships. When I climbed to the main deck, helping hands pulled me aboard. I was almost totally exhausted, but was gratified at being a survivor.

The Battle of Savo Island resulted in the sinking of two other American heavy cruisers and an Australian heavy cruiser. During the next four months several additional fierce naval battles were fought off Guadalcanal, resulting in the sinking of so many ships that the area became known as Iron Bottom Sound. Recent explorations of the graveyard have been successful in discovery of the hulls of several sister ships, but alas, no *Astoria*.

Ed. note: Allison returned to the U.S. for duty, studying and teaching in electrical schools until he returned to the Pacific for postwar service with a naval construction batallion on Guam. He was mustered out on a physical disability in 1951, ending 15 years and three months of naval service.

In Memoriam

JESSIE GUSTAFSON
Professor of Business Education, 1952-1967

Jessie Gustafson, an outstanding educator, died on July 16 at the Solheim Lutheran Home at the age of 95. She joined the Los Angeles State College of Applied Arts and Sciences faculty in 1952 when the college was located on the campus of Los Angeles City College. Gustafson organized the Department of Business Education and served as its first chair, laying the groundwork for one of California's outstanding business education programs.

Jessie was born in Michigan, where she began her education. She joined her parents in California after completing two years of undergraduate work at the University of Minnesota. Jessie was accepted at Stanford University, which accepted only five women each year. However, because she could not find suitable housing, she enrolled at USC, where she earned a bachelor's degree in economics.

Gustafson first worked in industry for International Kinema Research, Shell Oil Company, and the Department of the Interior Petroleum Administrative Board. While at Shell, she worked on her master's degree in education at USC. At USC, she was persuaded to take a position at Fullerton Junior College, teaching and managing the student branch of Security National Bank. She was granted a one-semester leave from Shell, but she found banking and teaching challenging and so she never returned, remaining at Fullerton for 13 years. She completed her doctorate at UCLA in 1952 and came to CSLA, where she remained until her retirement in 1967.

As chair for 12 years, Gustafson developed the Department of Business Education into one of the outstanding such departments in the country, a remarkable feat considering the great strengths of the two crosstown business education programs. She was a superb organizer who found her job complicated in the early years on the present campus by the facilities, or lack thereof. She bought her own steel files and used "drawers" made from apple boxes courtesy of the local supermarkets.

Gustafson was a dedicated teacher. Her teaching evaluations attest to the fact that she was demanding, but also highly respected and very well liked. Between 1965 and 1971, in the interest of department development, she traveled throughout the U.S. and Europe, to Sweden, Austria, France, Switzerland, and Spain, attending business education meetings. Included were three international meetings of the World Conference of Organizations of the Teaching Profession. She was a member of nearly all professional organizations related to business education. She was very active in local memberships and continued her involvement well after her retirement.

Memorial services were held on August 16 at Hollywood Lutheran Church where Jessie and her family were charter members.



HOWARD E. WILKENING
Professor of Psychology, 1948-1974

Howard Wilkening died on October 19 in Solvang from complications of a stroke. He was 85 years of age. Wilkening joined the Cal State L.A. faculty in 1948 as a member of the original academic staff when the Los Angeles State College was established, and later served as chair of the Department of Psychology.

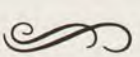
Howard graduated from New York University with a B.S. degree in 1933, and went on to obtain an M.A. from the University of Colorado in 1939. Returning to New York University, he completed the Ph.D. in 1941.

During World War II Wilkening worked as an operations analyst in the Army Air Corps and was awarded a citation from the War Department after the end of the war. He did social work in New York City and also taught at Purdue and USC before his appointment at CSLA.

Wilkening was the author of three books, editor of the *Scanstyles* journal, and was associate editor of the *Journal of Marriage and Family Living*. He served as a consultant to Bobrick Manufacturing Corporation in North Hollywood for four decades and as a director of the Mental Hygiene Clinic of the Los Angeles Orthopaedic Hospital for two years. For 10 years he was head psychologist at the Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic.

When he retired in 1974, Wilkening was the faculty member with the longest tenure at CSLA up to that time. Howard was well known for his hobby, oenology, the science and history of wine. As an expert, he gave many lectures on this subject to faculty groups.

He is survived by his wife, Laura; two sons, Gregory and Peter; and two daughters, Barbara Ahern and Carol Vilas.



MONA PAULEE
Professor of Music, 1972-1987

Mona Paulee was born in Canada but grew up in Portland, Oregon where her father had a theater. She started singing in a local restaurant and on the radio. From Portland she went to San Francisco where her operatic career began, singing with the San Francisco Opera. In 1942 she won the first Metropolitan Opera Radio Audition; the co-winner was Robert Merrill. Both were given a contract with the Metropolitan Opera Company.

During the 1940s and 1950s, Paulee was a star with the Met. She was a mezzo-soprano and one of her most famous roles was Carmen. While at the Met she developed a close and lasting friendship with another famous diva, Nadine Conner. During this time Paulee was often heard in the Metropolitan Opera broadcasts that aired on Saturdays. Her husband was an aviator, so he often flew her from one appearance to another. She left the Met to star in the Broadway production of *Most Happy Fella*.

In the course of her musical career, Paulee also sang in the Community Concerts series through Columbia Artists. During the summer she performed in Europe and throughout Central and South America. She won several awards for her expertise in diction of foreign languages.

Mona came to Cal State L.A. first as a part-time teacher in the Department of Music and then went on to a full-time position in which role she taught voice and gave opera workshops. She was extremely knowledgeable of the entire field of music. In 1988 she retired from Cal State L.A. She passed away in September, and is survived by her daughter, Lani, and two grandchildren who live in Palmdale, where Mona also lived for a number of years.



JAMES F. RICHMOND
Professor of Geology, 1955-1970

James F. Richmond, founder of Cal State L.A.'s Geology Department, died on August 28 as a result of complications after injuries he sustained during a fall while on a visit to Idaho. He was 86 years old.

Jim was born December 30, 1908 in Walla Walla, Washington. He earned a bachelor's degree at Whitman College, master's degree at Pomona College, and doctorate at Stanford University. He served in the Navy from 1942-44.

Richmond came to Los Angeles State College in 1955 and remained until his retirement in 1970. He spent the last 15 years in Carmel. He was a member or the Senior Golf Group at the Pacific Grove Golf Course, and enjoyed local geology.

Jim took special pleasure in music. At one point during his long and varied life, he had been a musician on a cruise ship. In more recent times, he enjoyed early jazz and singing in the Hacienda Chorus. He also was a season ticket holder at the Monterey County Symphony.

Richmond is survived by two brothers, George, of Honolulu, and Charles, of Olympia, Washington.

HOWARD H. EARLE

Professor of Criminal Justice, 1975-1993

Howard H. Earle, who had an illustrious career in law enforcement and went on to chair the Department of Criminal Justice at Cal State L.A., died recently at San Gabriel Hospital at age 66. The cause of death was cancer.

Earle received his bachelor's, master's, and Ph.D. degrees from USC. He believed today's law enforcement officer needs knowledge in many areas, including law, medicine, and welfare. He joined the Sheriff's Department as a deputy in 1951, rose rapidly through the ranks, and in 1972 was named Assistant Sheriff to Sheriff Peter Pitchess.

Earle's responsibilities while with the Sheriff's Department included supervision of the Sheriff's Academy, the largest peace officer training facility in the U.S. Initially he instituted a rigid military type system, but his own research which formed the basis for his Ph.D. dissertation completely reversed his thinking and his department's policy. He concluded that "the results were irrefutable. The non-stress group are the best—and the happiest—on the job." He went on to write three textbooks on this and related subjects: *Police Recruit Training*, *Policy Community Relations*, and *Student Instructor's Guide on Community Relations*.

After resigning from the Sheriff's Department in 1975, Earle came to the Cal State L.A. Department of Criminal Justice and subsequently served as its chair. He was also a consultant to groups in 83 countries and was a delegate to the Beijing International Police Science Research Exchange Program in 1993.

Howard is survived by a daughter, Debra, of Sacramento; two sons, Lawrence, of Rowland Heights, and Brad, of Upland; a stepson, Dean Pinsak, of Australia; and seven grandchildren.



E. Kennedy Cobb

E. KENNEDY COBB

Professor of Accounting, 1958-1987

E. Kennedy (Ken Cobb), professor of accounting, died on October 16 of pancreatic cancer.

Ken received his B.S. from the University of South Carolina and M.B.A. from Northwestern University. He earned his California C.P.A. in 1957.

Prior to coming to Cal State L.A., Ken taught at UCLA, Bradley University, and Northwestern. He began teaching at CSLA in 1958.

Cobb's 29-year association with the School of Business and Economics included service as Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies and Chair of the Department of Accounting. His contributions to the University, school, department, and professional community were extensive.

As department chair, Ken was instrumental in the development of an outstanding Department of Accounting. As associate dean, he had great skill in developing administrative procedures. Among his responsibilities was the planning of South Tower, now Simpson Tower, with Floyd Simpson. He was in charge of the school's move from King Hall to Simpson Tower. Ken was also heavily involved in the campus conversion to the quarter system and in articulation among the various departments within the school.

Ken was a consummate professional and, most importantly, an extraordinarily fine human being. He was very well liked and respected.

Cobb was interred in Columbia, South Carolina, his birthplace.

RICHARD ARVIDSON

Professor of Geography, 1968-1989

Richard Arvidson passed away at age 57 on September 22 in Cathedral City after a long battle with illness. He was born on February 18, 1938, and received a B.Sc. in Geology from Witwatersrand University in South Africa in 1959. He obtained a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University and became a member of the CSLA faculty in the fall of 1968; he was promoted to full professor in 1978. In 1989 he retired from teaching due to his failing health.

Arvidson was an outstanding instructor in the department. Throughout his career at Cal State L.A., he consistently received superlative teaching evaluations in all his classes. He was a serious and very dedicated teacher. Even with his failing health in his last few years at CSLA, he never ceased to prepare multicolor study guides and exercises for all his classes; he continued to advise students in their programs, their theses, and their special projects.

Arvidson trained as a geomorphologist and did research on surface drainage connectivity in the Arkansas River Drainage, on physical urban blight in the Hollywood area, and in the recreation trails of the Santa Monica Mountains.

Arvidson's leadership and administrative abilities had been recognized by his colleagues; he served twice as chair and twice as associate chair of the Department of Geography and Urban Studies. He will be remembered as a masterful teacher, outstanding administrator, and serious researcher by his students and colleagues. He is survived by his sister, Adrienne, of Ontario, Canada.

GEORGE ROLLING

Associate Librarian and Humanities/ Social Sciences Librarian, 1959-1988

George Miller Rolling was born October 20, 1926 in Pasadena. He attended Southern California schools including Pasadena City College, Occidental College, and USC. His qualifications ranged from a California general secondary credential to a master's degree in library science. He was a member of numerous academic honor societies.

Rolling worked in the Pasadena City Schools Adult Education Office from 1949 through 1952, and served on active duty in the U.S. Naval

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Reserve from 1952 through 1954. He worked at the Los Angeles Public Library during 1954-55 while attending library school at USC. He then worked at the Long Beach Public Library from 1955 through 1959.

In July 1959 Rolling accepted a position at Los Angeles State College. It was at this institution that he spent the remainder of his career. He initially worked in the Catalog Department and later began serving as a reference librarian in 1972. His subject specialties included political science, history, sociology, and social work. He held this post until his retirement in August 1988.

Beginning in the 1950s, George enjoyed extensive visits with relatives in England and Scotland. These visits ultimately translated into a leave of absence during his professional career, giving him the opportunity to serve a one-year appointment as a catalog librarian at Brunel University, Middlesex, England from September 1970 through August 1971. Interestingly, George wrote an article about this experience upon his return to CSLA. The article, "An Angeleno at Uxbridge: A Year as Cataloger at Brunel University", was published in *California Librarian* in January 1972. George later made return trips to England before and after his retirement.

One can celebrate the life of George Rolling by reading in his own words about his experiences at Brunel in England. His article communicates the enthusiasm of a man with an encyclopedic knowledge who was extremely interested in his profession and his English heritage.

JOHN CONRAD BUSHMAN

Professor of English, 1953-1976

John Conrad Bushman, professor of English and American studies, died December 15 at the age of 81 following a lingering illness.

Bushman was born in Chicago in 1914, attended the University of Michigan for two years, then transferred to the University of Illinois, where he earned his B.A. in 1936, M.A. in 1937, and Ph.D. in 1943. While at the University, he met and married Betty Jane Nelson in 1938.

Bushman taught for a brief period at the University of Illinois and for seven years at St. Louis University, before he accepted a position at the young California State College, Los Angeles, where he rose to the rank of professor. He taught for a year on a Fulbright appointment in Buenos Aires (1959), and interested himself in the general study of American popular culture. He retired in 1976.

While living in Illinois, Bushman was part of the group of Chicago writers that included Nelson Algren, James T. Farrell, and Jack Conroy. As a scholar and teacher, he pioneered the study of the fiction of Stephen Crane at a time when Crane was regarded as a literary lightweight whose work was undeserving of academic study, and on the graduate level offered seminars on Ralph Waldo Emerson and Mark Twain.

Over the course of his career he published four books, all in collaboration with department colleagues. They were widely adopted and went through a number of editions.

Bushman is survived by his wife, Betty; two daughters, Dr. Luanna Cabrera and Mrs. Lynn Bommer; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

ELISE S. HAHN

Professor of Speech, 1963-1977

Elise S. Hahn, professor of speech pathology in the Department of Speech Communication and Drama, died December 8 in Monterey, California at age 84.

Hahn was born on June 26, 1911 in Los Angeles. She received her B.A. degree from UCLA, M.A. from Wayne University, and Ph.D. from Northwestern University. She taught at CSLA for 15 years and at UCLA for 18 years.

Among Hahn's considerable accomplishments is having served as president of the national Speech Association of America (now Speech Communication Association) for 1958. She also received national honors in hearing and speech and a California State award for hearing and speech.

Hahn is survived by her longtime companion, Laurie Schumann, of Carmel; a son, Eugene, of Underwood, Washington; and three grandchildren.

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Goldin for her $3.8 million CSLA NASA-funded project. Her unprecedented research activity has brought the University more than four million dollars in grants.

Judith Hamera came to the University in 1987 and is a highly regarded scholar in her field, performance studies. Her challenging classes, and her ability to tie together numerous strands of intellectual inquiry and multiple disciplines, have made her an exciting and popular teacher. Carole Srole began teaching at CSLA in 1984. Her success in the classroom has inspired her to share her teaching approaches with colleagues; she interrupted work on a manuscript to devote much of the last four years to writing and speaking about teaching.



Seated (l. to r.): Mohammad Ala, Carole Srole, Helen Boussalis, Judith Hamera. Standing: President James Rosser; Dorothy Keane, Academic Senate Chair; William Cohen; Peter Brier, Outstanding Professor Awards Committee Chair; Margaret Hartman, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

As a Trustees' award for 32 years, the CSU Outstanding Professor Award has been restricted to two CSU professors each year. Beginning this year the award honors a professor at each CSU campus who is distinguished for superlative teaching. Cal State L.A. named William Cohen (Marketing) as its 1995 CSU Outstanding Professor.

Cohen is director of the Small Business Institute, a national program he has directed since joining the CSLA faculty in 1979. Of his four major textbooks, one has been adopted by 177 colleges and universities, not including foreign editions. His text on direct marketing was the first of its kind published. Cohen has received several national awards of high distinction. Under his advisement, his students have also won major awards.